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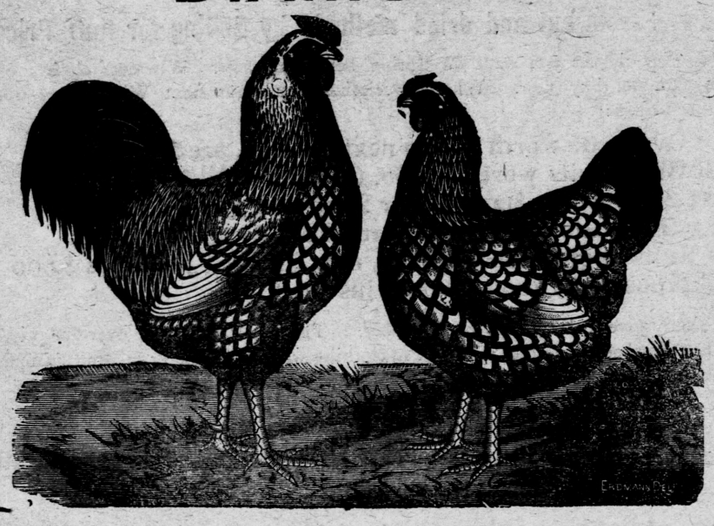

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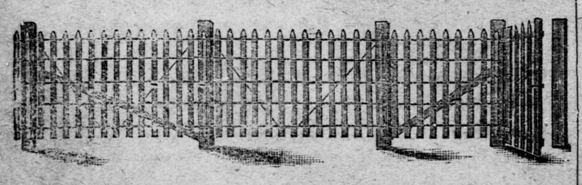

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"The Fight .....Is On"

Shall it be "Addicks or Nobody!"—The "News And Advertiser" vs. The "State Sentinel." There is "No Misunderstanding" says the Latter.

DESPITE the statement of the *Morning News* to the contrary, there is no misunderstanding as to the recent action of the Republican State Central Committee on the subject of delegate elections. The issue was squarely joined with the advocates of honest primary elections on one side and the promoters of dishonest primary election on the other. The friends of the "Morning News" voted in defence of dishonest party primaries, and the editor of that self-constituted mouth piece of the goody-goody element of the Republican party in the city of Wilmington, against his own conviction, in opposition to his personal knowledge of frauds perpetrated at former party primaries under the same management, attempted in a double-leaded editorial to pull these men out of a hole into which they jumped in their insane opposition to a request for fair play among party associates.

That is all the resolution offered at the committee meeting by Dr. C. R. Layton was—a request for fair play in the party primaries. Here is the text of the resolution as reported and printed "Morning News" and "Every Evening":

During the meeting a resolution was presented by Dr. Caleb R. Layton, who moved that it be adopted by the committee.

It asked the State Central Committee to make a part of its call, for the primary election to elect delegates to the Dover Convention, which chooses delegates to the St. Louis Convention, the following rule:

That the committee selecting the primary election officers make as a part of the board election a representative of the minority in all hundreds and wards, where there is but one voting place, and where there are more that one voting place, the representation shall be equal. Each side to select its own officers, and in case of failure to do this the act in relation to holding primary elections shall govern.—"Morning News."

Resolved, That it is the sense of this committee that in the call for delegates to the Republican State Convention to be held at Dover, Del., in May, 1896, in all wards and hundreds in the State where there is but one polling place for the primary election for said delegates there shall be a minority representation of a judge and clerk of the primary election officers, and where there are more than one polling place that the officers of the primary election shall be equally divided, and that the majority and the minority of the election officers shall be selected by the opposing parties, and in case of failure thereof to hold said election that the act in relation to primary elections shall govern, and that this resolution be embodied in the call for the convention.—"Every Evening."

The reports agree so far as the essentials of the resolution go. They agree in saying that the resolutions were debated for more than an hour; that its purport was fully explained, and nothing more was asked and demanded than that a fair division of primary election officers be made between the contestants. Who offered the resolution, who seconded the motion to adopt it, and who voted for and against it, was published in the newspapers, and had been discussed all over the State, before the editorial of defence was written by the editor of the "Morning News." And yet he pretends that he did not know anything about it. He refers to Dr. C. R. Layton as "the person who presented it." Evidently he thought it smart to ignore so prominent a man, and thus discount the resolution's influence by making it appear to have been the work of some unknown and obscure "person."

Here is the opening paragraph of the "Morning News editorial:

There is a decided misunderstanding as to the action of the Republican State Committee on Monday, in refusing to adopt a rule which was offered by a member for action. The rule contained the word "minority," implying that two parties were to take part in the election for delegates to the State convention, and reference made to "opposing parties." Just exactly how the rule was worded we are unable to discover.

Shade of the absent and honorable ex-counsel to Persia! who could have anticipated the printing of such nonsense as this in a newspaper once controlled and still owned by you? who would ever have imagined that the editor of the "Morning News" could have prefaced an editorial with such confession of falsehood and pretended ignorance?

He is "making ado" in a very foolish way in order to deceive his readers. It cannot be possible, however, that many of them will be deceived. With the defeat of the Republican city ticket at the last municipal election still in mind; remembering that the Republican voters refused to sanction, in an election, the methods by which that ticket was nominated; and further that the same managers had declared that they would control the primaries again; in the same way, still in mind, the minority members of the State Central Committee simply asked for an assurance of fair play in the convention election; and that the success of the party at this most critical juncture in its history, should not be jeopardized by factional contests. To the ordinary comprehension this was both wise and generous. But let us get back to this remarkable absurd double-leaded editorial; mind that lucid play upon the words "minority" and "opposing parties." The editor pretends not to understand these words in this relation and yet the vote on this resolution proves that there was a "minority," and "opposing parties" in the State Central Committee, and that these words were the only ones which rightly described the situation. And ye', O, shade of the absent Sperry, the "Morning News," controlled by Washington Hastings, declares that members of the State Committee shall not use those words in writing resolutions, because they contain 'an implication that two parties are to take part in the election, and not in others of the same party." What a wonderful analysis of language that is? But think of this, 'the resolution was presented in an obnoxious way." To what a wonderful refinement of speech and manner have these best-people-politicians come?

Here is another sample of "Morning News" word-twisting. It says:

The State Committee had no power to act in the premises, and the voting down of the rule was merely equivalent to declaring that the committee had no right to act.

This is to say, doing a thing is equivalent to deciding that one has no right to do it.

The fact is the committee decided that question. It acted. The motion was entertained, debated and decided by vote, and under such circumstances a negative decision is equivalent to a declaration of the right of the body considering the question to decide and act affirmatively. The only way by which the question of the resolution could have been disposed of to make the disposition an equivalent to declaring no right act, would have been to have declared it out of order; had it indefinitely postponed, or had it withdrawn by the mover. The fact is the du Pont-Bradford-Higgins element of the committee declared emphatically that they were not in favor of fair play and honest primaries in preparing for the coming State campaign. They have endorsed the declared intention of their friends in Wilmington to control the State Convention by fraud if possible; and the *Morning News*, which only a few months ago advised the defeat of the Republican party if the duPont Bradford-Higgins coterie did not control its nominations, endorses and excuses the declaration against fair play and honesty.

This is the situation and there can be no possible misunderstanding about it. They have rejected the overture for peace. This issue is now squarely joined. Mr. Higgins's friends have again said "there shall be no party success which we can prevent except that contingent upon Mr. Higgins's control of the party;" and the old fight is on. There is but one way out now and that is to fight it out. There is very little doubt now about the control of the State Convention. It will not be a duPont-Bradford-Higgins Convention. Now that the scheme has been uncovered the people may be trusted to take care of the convention—they have no misunderstanding about it.—*State Sentinal.*

THE ADDICKS CAMPAIGN.

IF any one has held a doubt of Mr. Addick's making another campaign in Delaware, he need doubt no longer on that score. Mr. Addicks has caucused lately with his friends in the several counties, and the word has been passed from him along the line to take everything.

At the meeting of the State Central Committee in Wilmington last Monday the Addicks faction asked that they be accorded representation on the primary election boards in New Castle county, assuming that without such representation frauds would be perpetrated, whereby Mr. Addicks would suffer. A majority of the committee were not willing to officially recognize a faction or to assume that fraud was imminent, and so voted the proposition down; whereupon the Addicks contingent assumed to be very indignant and to declare that the minority were not accorded fair play. This was a bluff carefully prepared by the Addicksites. They knew that such a proposition would be voted down, and simply introduced it, that being denied they might make a factional campaign on the plea that fairness had been refused them in New Castle, and for that reason they would take everything in Kent and Sussex if they could. To charge assumed unfairness in New Castle would be made an excuse for real unfairness in the lower counties.

In proof of the fact that the action mentioned was only a bluff and an excuse, it is only necessary to mention the Addicks campaign as formulated and announced some two weeks ago. In a letter to two of his trusted lieutenants in Kent and Sussex counties, Mr. Addicks wrote that he wanted the six delegates to St. Louis, the nomination of the Legislative candidates in Kent and Sussex (that he might be elected Senator. He also asked for the member of the National committee for Delaware and to have the naming of the Congressional and Gubernatorial candidates. He did not ask for the members of the Levy Courts and the constables and collectors to be appointed by those bodies in case of success. These may have been overlooked or taken for granted.

One of the lieutenants to whom these demands were addressed, demurred to compliance because they were too sweeping. He thought such a take-all plan was poor policy, in that it did violence to fairness and to all representation. These views were presented to Mr. Addicks with the suggestion that he had asked too much and what was impossible. But Mr. Addicks stated that he must have just what he had asked—no more and no less; he was to furnish the money and his demands must be complied with.

Comment would seem almost unnecessary.—*News and Advertiser.*

Our Woman's .....Column

AN interesting discussion on managing a husband is being brought out in the "Ladies Every Saturday." The following "How to cook Him" from an Iowa lady will interest both the manager and managee:

A good many husbands are utterly spoiled by mismanagement. Some women go about as if their husbands were baboons, and blow them up. Others keep them cross and lyin to by sweet; others let them freeze by indifference and carelessness. Some keep them in a stew by irritating ways and words. Others roast them. Some keep them in pickle all their lives. It cannot be supposed that any husband will be tender and good if managed in this way, but they are really delicious when properly treated. In selecting your husband, do not go to market for him, as the best are always brought to your door. It is far better to have none, unless you will patiently learn how to govern him.

See that the linen in which you wrap him is properly washed and mended, with the required number of buttons and strings tightly sewed on. Tie him in the kettle by a strong silk cord called 'comfort,' as the one called 'duty' is apt to be weak. They are apt to fall out of the kettle, and be burned and crusty on the edges, since, like crabs and oysters, you have to cook them while alive. If he sputters and fusses, do not be anxious—some husbands do this until they are called done. Add a little sugar in the form of what the confectioners call kisses, but no vinegar or pepper on any account. A little spice improves them, but it must be used with judgement. Do not stick any sharp instrument into him to see if he is tender or becoming so. Stir him gently, watching the while lest he adhere to the kettle, and so become useless. You cannot fail to know when he is done. If this treatment is closely followed you will find him all that is desirable; but do not be careless with him and keep him in a cool place.

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Never acknowledge yourself beaten but make the world believe you are prosperous and prosperity will come.

There is more truth in this precept than many people realize, not only in business relations, but in social life as well. If you succumb to financial difficulties and sink gradually to a lower level, acquire a slovenly, or at least careless habit of dress, and become retiring and distrustful, soon you find yourself deserted by your friends as you suppose, wheras in reality it is you who desert them. In the press of modern life there is no time to stop and look after those who fall by the wayside, and it is much easier to keep a footing than to regain it if once lost. "Never let your right hand know how poor your left hand is," is another worldly axiom that the children of this generation find profitable to follow, and this suggests a problem. How is it that Jones, who failed disastrously last year, and who, it is said, lost every penny and more besides, is apparently still rolling in wealth? And how does he manage to keep his carriage with two men on the box and go on giving dinner parties to his smart friends whenever it seems good to him to do so? It was only last week that the newspapers announced that he would not pay 50 cents on the dollar, and yet his wife has just ordered a gown from Mme. X——, who, every one knows, is one of the most expensive dressmakers in town. Who pays for the dinners, and the carriage, and the gowns? And if they are not paid for how does Jones manage it, and why can he not let us all into the secret? Then, again, there are people who make what one would imagine to be an ample income, and who yet talk as if they were positively poor, and who deny themseves not only the luxuries of life, but often the necessities of a pleasant existence. Why is it that some people have nothing, and yet seem to possess everything, and others have a sufficiency and yet seem to lack so much that makes life comfortable?

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A MODE HUSBAND.

Newwed—"These biscuits don't taste much like those my mother used to make."

Mrs. Newwed—"I try so hard to please you, Fred."

Newwed—"Who said you didn't please me, darling? If my mother had the knack of making such biscuit as these, my father might have lived twenty years longer than he did."

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Women who allow a letter to remain unanswered are as discourteous as though they refused to reply to a spoken question.

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Agatha—"Charley is tickled with his new moustache isn't he?"

Marie—"Yes, but (with a sly blush) not half as much as I am."

"What I like about women's dress just now is its suggestiveness of the attention that is paid to the under side of things," remarked a masculine critic. "I like the pretty linings that one catches a glimpse of under the ripple of a jacket, or the displaced fold of a cloth skirt, and the silk petticoat with its ruffles and lace trimmings, that show every now and again when milady gets into her carriage, or runs up the steps of a brownstone front. I like the faint odor of violets that you notice when you pick up her glove, veil or fan, and the clean look of her well-kept hair and hands, for an up-to-date woman is a dainty creature, despite her 'tailor mades' and knickerbockers, and manish little affectations. 'The gods see inside,' said the Eastern artisan as he finished the interior of his vase with the same care that he bestowed upon the exterior; and it is precisely that which I admire about the women now days—the evident daintiness of their belongings."

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She—Why?

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"Yes," said the gentleman with the pea-green neckwhiskers, "the fellow at the table next to me ordered a soft-boiled egg, but the cook left it stay on the fire seven minutes."

"And what did he do?" asken the gentleman with the wooden shoes and the papier mache "bald wig."

"He took it hard."

May Christians Dance?

Bob Burdette answers this question in his usual unique fashion: "May a Christian dance? Of course he may. He may swear, and lie, too, but it would not make him a better Christian. Surely, Christians, you may dance, but dancing will never identify you as a Christian. What puzzles us is that you ask the question so often. Christians who don't dance never ask it. Yes, Christians, dance if you can't live without it. Join hands with Salome, Herodias, and Herod, and circle to the left. But don't be surprised if you are mistaken for a goat. That is the side they are on."—The Religious Herald.

George—Eh? You got engaged last night? Gus, my old, my dear friend, tell me how you did it.

Gus—Really, I hardly know myself. Couldn't help it. Just like falling downstairs. I was on the edge of a proposal, she gave me a push, and there I was engaged.

"Well I haven't had any such experience. Every time I try to start my knees knock together, and my teeth chatter, and my tongue cleaves to the roof of my mouth. I've tried a dozen times to pop the question to Miss De Pink, and slumped every time."

"And did she let you slump?"

"Yes."

"You are courting the wrong girl."

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Washington .....Letter

MR. CLEVELAND has paid sufficient deference to those Cuban resolutions to ask Spain to accept the mediation of the U. S. in negotiating with the Cuban insurgents for peace; but, according to current gossip, he doesn't wish Spain to agree and doesn't expect it. According to stories whispered in inside circles, the fine hand of Ex-Secretary Billy Whitney is playing the game for Mr. Cleveland, having succeeded in persuading him that the only salvation of the Democratic party lies in working up feeling owards a war with Spain. The offer to mediate is made for the purpose of convincing the world that the administration favors a peaceable settlement and will only resort to other methods when Spain refuses to entertain mediation, and to gain time. War is not wanted now; It might be all over before the meeting of the Democratic national convention, not to mention the November election. It is a deep game, to take advantage of the general sympathy of this country for Cuba to boost up the tottering Democratic party, and to go into it it was necessary for Mr. Cleveland to go against his real wishes, as he had been from the first apparently on the side of Spain.

Unless something unexpected turns up to prevent Congress is likely to break the long session record in the date of adoujrnment. So far as the House is concerned, it would be easy enough to adjourn by the first of May, as there remain only two appropriation bills—fortifications, and general deficiencies—to be disposed of, and the first of those will be passed this week. Unless the Democratic senators become obstructionists just to delay adjournment, it is regarded as probable that adjournment will occur somewhere in the neighborhood of May 15th.

Senator Cullom denies very emphatically that he has written or intends to write a letter withdrawing his name as a candidate for the Presidential nomination, and Senator Quay's friends make the same denial in his behalf.

Secretary Morton is in hot water again, and unless the men who are making the charges against him are out of their reckoning he may get badly scalded before he gets out of it. He and his assistants in the Agricultural department are charged with having deliberately and intentionally misrepresented facts to Senator Proctor and Representative Wadsworth, who acted with Secretary Morton as a committee to award the contract for seeds for free distribution, in order to get the bid of a Chicago firm, which was $10,000 below that of the firm which secured the contract, thrown out. They charge that Secretary Morton represented that the seed submitted as samples by the Chicago firm were found poor, when as a matter of fact the official records of the tests made by the department experts show them to be as good in every respect as those sent by the firm which secured the contract; that Secretary Morton told his Congressional associates on the committee of Award that the Chicago firm declined to assume responsibility by printing their name upon the packages of seeds they proposed furnishing, when that firm had stated both orally and in writing that it would cut its bid $10,000 if allowed to print its name and address on every package. They charge further that Assisstant Secretary Dabney worked against them because they refused to use a certain patent bag-filling machine advocated by him. It is a very serious business if these charges can be substantiated, and the men who make them say can they be.

Public Printer Benedict has had a collision with the civil service commission concerning the eligibility for reinstatement of certain printers discharged by him after the Government Printing Office passed under the Civil Service rule, and the matter has got before the Senate Civil Service Committee. According to one of the witnesses before that Committee, Benedict said to a member of Congress who called on him to secure the reinstatement of one of the dismissed printers, on the ground of the Civil Service Commission having declared him eligible for reinstatement without examination: "I don't care what these d—d—et nurses say." The Committee will investigate and make a report.

Democrats are trying to persuade Senator Hill to once more become the Democratic candidate for Governor of New York, but Mr. Hill has such a vivid recollection of the drubbing administered to him by Gov. Morton that he isn't inclined to regard the matter at all favorably.

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Republican State Convention!

A State Convention of the Republican Party of the State of Delaware will be held at Dover, on Tuesday, May the 12th, A. D., 1896, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of selecting six delegates to represent this state at the Republican National Convention to convene at the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, on Tuesday, the 16th day of June next, which is to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States; and also for transacting such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The convention at Dover will consist of one hundred and sixty (160) delegates apportioned among the several districts of the state as follows: Forty (40) delegates to be chosen from the First district; thirty-eight (38) delegates to be chosen from the Second district; forty (40) delegates to be chosen from the Third district; forty-two (42) delegates to be chosen from the Fourth district. The said delegates shall be appointed among the several sub-divisions of each district as heretofore.

And further, it is ordered that the modes of the election of delegates shall be as follows: The Republican voters shall assemble at the usual voting places in the several sub-divisions on Saturday, the 9th day of May next, and shall organize by electing three (3) judges to conduct the election, who shall forthwith open the polls and receive the ballots. The election shall be held between the hours of 2 p. m. and 9 p. m., the polls to be open continuously in each sub division for a period of not less than two hours. Provided, that the committees of the several districts may name the places and hours for holding such election.

Printed notice of this call, and of the details for carrying it into effect, shall be duly made.

Upon closing the polls the judges shall publicly count the votes and make out certificates of election in duplicate; one whereof shall be delivered to the delegates elected and the other shall be mailed forthwith to the secretary of the State Central Committee.

At the said election voters without regard to past political affiliations, who believe in Republican principles and endorse the Republican policy and pledge themselves to vote the Republican ticket, only, shall be allowed to vote.

JAMES H. WILSON, Chairman.
H. C. BROWNE, Secretary.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., APR. 18, 1896.

"THE ISSUE IS NOW SQUARELY JOINED."

This is the declaration of the *State Sentinel*. The issue is, Shall J. Edward Addicks be the Republican party in Delaware. Of course the *State Sentinel*, Mr. Addicks' personal organ, does not put it that way. The TRANSCRIPT has no desire to misrepresent, indeed such an act at this time would be a crime to the Republican Party. for the situation is critical, so we have quoted the entire article from the *Sentinel*. Read it, every Delawarean, whether Republican or Democrat, it is on the first page, and decide for yourself as to our conclusions. Read at the same time the shorter but equally convincing editorial from the *News and Advertiser*. Taking these two articles from different standpoints within the party, we are convinced that Mr. Addicks has determined to stick to his text of "Addicks or nobody," and so far as he can direct this shall be the issue and the result. Will Republicans submit?

We are the more convinced of this conclusion because the "issue" as made in the State Central Committee is but a pretext, carefully prepared in advance by the Addicks people and sprung upon the Committee with the acknowledged purpose of creating a division, or rather of making a factional fight. "We knew the result before hand" said an Addicks man, as he poured into the willing ears of the Democratic papers the whole work of the State Central Committee, including the disagreement which any sensible party man would have given to the public through a Republican paper if it must needs go to the public at all. The Democratic editor unwittingly gave his Republican ally away in saying:

"The Addicks adherents are publicly swearing and fuming over what they call the tyranny and injustice of their opponents in an arbitrary exercise of the power of a majority. As a matter of fact, however, they are not mad at all, but are chuckling to themselves at the manner in which the stupid Higgins men fell into the trap that had been prepared for them."

That is to say, the "Addicks men" were seeking a pretext for a factional fight the onus of which they could throw upon the men who do not believe in "Addicks or nobody." To attain their ends they propose to usurp the authority of the County Committee under the plea of honest primaries; to throw at once suspicion upon the integrity of the several county committees and to acknowledge indirectly that the primaries in the party have heretofore been dishonest. We believe in the honesty of the State Committee, the County, District, and City Committees, and of the primary election held in Wilmington last June, that being the one referred to by the *Sentinel*. The matter was settled in court and everybody knows the Democratic officials would be ready enough to convict the Republicans of violation of the election laws if they could. No criminal charges were made, only technical, against the election officers, and these were thrown out of court, and we defy the *Sentinel* to produce any proof to the contrary. Further, if the *Sentinel* will produce the proof of dishonest primaries we will join it and the Democratic editors in denunciation of the party organization, and the denunciation shall be of the most earnest and emphatic kind. Come, meet the "issue" like men.

The *Sentinel* charges that Gen. James H. Wilson, Hugh C. Browne, Esqr., and those of the State Committee who voted with them on the Dr. Layton resolution, "voted in defence of dishonest party primaries." This is an insult not to those men alone but to every Republican who knows those men are honest and honestly upholding their views as representatives of the party. The charge shows the desperate means the "Sentinel and its party friends will use. They attempted to defeat the Wilmington city ticket last June and aided in its defeat. They did not do it alone. It was the stay-at-home vote which gave credit to the charges of "Every Evening," charges of fraud which even a Democratic court and Democratic officials threw out of court, that is responsible for the Democratic victory last June. Still Mr. Addicks through Mr. Kittenger and other friends did all they could to defeat the Republican ticket in Wilmington last June. The Addicks men

fore the election the intention to defeat the ticket. And why? Because they did not carry the primaries. The cry of dishonest primaries was only an excuse for defeating the ticket. The resolution in the State Committee is but the handle to the pretext for repeating themselves if they fail, as they will fail, in carrying the primaries this time. They are traitors to their party—traitors in the election of a Senator; traitors in opposing the seating of Col. duPont; traitors in defeating the regularly nominated ticket. We record these facts with regret, and with the greatest sorrow because some good and true Republicans, we can truthfully say many Republicans, are allied with these disciples of Judas Iscario because of a lack of information, because of falsehood so often repeated against the party organization. The Republican papers, in our opinion, are not zealous enough in the defence of party action and party men as well as party principles. The "Morning News" has made no answer to the "Sentinel" article on our first page and the Addicks people can well say, "Ah! you see our charges are true. They dare not reply." The "Morning News" should have won the election in Wilmington last June, either won the election against the charges of the "Every Evening," false as we believe them, or have joined the "Every Evening in the denunciation if the charges in their opinion were true. This is our individual opinion—and the opinion of hundreds of Republicans all over the State.

But to return to the present issue—Addicks. Mr. Addicks demands the six delegates to St. Louis; that he shall lead them with "collars" and shall be the member of the National Committee; that the Gubernatorial, Congressional, and Legislative tickets shall be named by him; that in short he is to be the Republican Party in Delaware. What has Mr. Addicks done to merit this great consideration? He came into Delaware politics after the election in 1888, after the Republicans had carried the State, with the offer of money to aid in paying taxes, &c. if he were elected United States Senator. That is true. He contributed some money through "friends" to pay taxes subsequent to that time, and claims to have purchased the State last fall. He did not, though he undoubtedly contributed some money to meet the money contributed by the editor of the "Every Evening" and other Democrats for the purposes of bribery. He tried to purchase the Republican caucus to vote for him as Senator, and failed. He conspired with the Democrats to prevent the election of a Senator, he having failed of an election, and then he went to Washington to lobby against the seating of Col. du Pont. In consideration of these matters and with the promise of money to purchase the election, he demands that the party be turned over to him. It will not be done. New Castle county is against Addicks. Sussex county is against Addicks. We are assured that Kent county will against Addicks—a majority of the delegates. Any other result means the defeat of the party before the State and county campaign has begun, for there are enough uncompromising Republicans who will never support Mr. Addicks in the methods he has adopted. Had he taken another course, proven himself loyal to party rather than to selfish ambition, their feelings had been different, and their support could under fair circumstances been given to him. as it is, his "Addicks or Nobody" means "nobody" for thousands of Republicans rather than Addicks, and that is the 'issue" as made by Mr. Addicks. Let it be met and settled once for all.

WHY NOT BE HONEST?

We copied last week from the Milford *Chronicle* an article, "Political Thieves," claiming that a plot had been formed to steal the scrap assessment in Kent county. The *Sentinel* did not refer to the matter on Saturday and the Democratic papers call it a fabrication with a joke as its only excuse for publication. It is unfortunate that it was published at all, unfortunate for Republicans who deplore any misrepresentation of facts but having suffered so much along this line of assessments, &c, under the abomiable law of '73, the report was accepted as a truth. The TRANSCRIPT is only too glad to make the denial of the *Chronicle's* story and will add later any explanation that paper may make. Had Clerk of the Peace Dickson not run away from his duties during March and thus prevented the assessment of Republicans who were anxious to qualify as voters the story would not have gotten in the TRANSCRIPT without corroboration. Being guilty of the one wrong Mr. Dickson has evidently suffered from an unjust accusation. This is the explanation. This is the just apology due Mr. Dickson.

The Democratic papers in noticing this matter turn with the charge. "You are another!" They refer to the Whann assessment in Wilmington, which may or may not be exaggerated. Mr. Whann says the assessment in a correct one and that the explanation is the county has heretofore been cheated out of the taxes of these men, and they have been cheated out of the right to vote. Why not be honest in these matters? The TRANSCRIPT has condemned the assessment, if it is wrong, and we condemn all wrong assessments and failures to assess, but it is invariably coupled by us with a condemnation of the law which permits such outrages, if they are as charged by political opponents. Democratic politicians, and Democratic papers which have upheld the politicians, should hide their faces with shame when a few doses of their own medicine prove so nauseating to them. Honest Democrats, those who condemn wrong within and without the party alike, may justly censure wrong doing among Republicans even when they follow only in the steps of others. What the people should demand, is fair and honest treatment of all citizens alike, the preservation of their political rights irrespective of party. "Turn the rascals out." is a good motto; but be not deceived in the rascal's cry of "stop their." Let the pruning knife apply irrespective of party and the people generally will be the gainers.

Yesterday's "Chronicle" sticks to the original story, insisting that it was substantially correct as reported. We have no evidence against the charge

PICKWICKIAN HUMOR.

There are excuses and excuses, explanations and explanations, of many grades and shades, but the most laughable one ever given by any newspaper in this State, appeared in the Laurel *Sussex Countian* last Saturday. This paper said some very harsh things of Republicans generally, and of the Republicans in Kentucky especially when the Legislature in that State adjourned without the election of a United States Senator. The TRANSCRIPT called attention to the fact that the Republicans lacked two votes of a majority on joint ballot hence it could not be expected of them that they should elect. The Republicans and Democrats had each an equal number of members, two Populists holding the balance of power. There were those on each side who hoped to get those two votes and thus elect. Both sides failed, and then lo! the Republicans are denounced for the failure.

The *Countian* was called to account by us and it answers in a very gentlemanly and pleasant way, but its Pickwickian style is ridiculous in the extreme. It says:

"If the Republican press of the country is to be believed the Republicans did control the Kentucky legislature. We have never made any claim as to majorities or minorities but we very distinctly remember that just after the election last fall there was a big amount of rejoicing among Republicans over their great victory in Kentucky. Nearly every Republican paper in the land announced in flaming headlines that the Kentucky legislature was Republican in joint session and crowded a great deal over their assertion that the Republicans were sure to elect a successor to Sena or Blackburn. Republican success was published then in the Republican press as a glorious truth, but when it turned out to be a dismal and disgusting failure the editor of the "Transcript" immediately assumed an air of injured innocence when we referred to it. If the Republican press was truthful when it made its claim last fall surely the "Countian" is truthful in its statements this spring. But if the Republican press distorted the facts for policy's sake last fall, is it justified in censuring us when, on its own authority, we make its victory in Kentucky a reproach to the party it represents?"

Oh! My! Here is an editor, either to pull himself out of a hole or having no respect for the intelligence of his readers, who five months after the election and after two months of a contest to elect a U. S. Senator with the daily papers devoting column after column to the matter, claims that his information as to the political situation is limited to the political news of the election given the morning after the election or soon thereafter when it was supposed and hoped that the Republicans would control the Legislature. Since this editor has been honored by his party with the clerkship of the Senate, presumably because of his childish ignorance of public affairs, we are ready to believe that those good old Dimecrats who are yet casting a vote for Old Hickory and Mr. Levy Court really have an existence. Until the *Sussex Countian* illustrated how far in the past a Democratic editor may live we had thought those stories pleasant myths. Perhaps the editor of our Laurel co-temporary may have been so disgusted with the election news last November that he ceased to read the daily papers. If so, he will cease to read all papers after next November. He will turn to the book of Job.

But the *Countian* has allowed itself to be imposed upon in another respect. There is an insinuation in the following that is not worthy creditable journalism:

"Our observation of an encounter between the editor of the "Transcript" and a representative of the legislature from Sussex, not long since and not far from Laurel, impresses us with the idea that there is enough abuse heaped upon the editorial head by brother Republicans and that it would be unkind in us to add to the tribulations of the "Transcript."

If there is anything worth relating, then tell it. Do not strike from behind a stone wall and then hide. The editor of the TRANSCRIPT has had no encounter, personal or otherwise, with any member of the Legislature or other person nor has any abuse been heaped upon his head. What may be said at his back in the way of political abuse he knows not of nor does he care. So come, brother editor, be manly and let us have in plain words what you have or come down the tree a little more gracefully than you did on the Kentucky Senatorship. Accept thanks for the pleasant language of your answer as well as for its Pickwickian humor. It is refreshing at this early spring time before the green becomes so general.

THE Democratic Senators are indeed trying to talk the duPont matter to death. Last week Senator George talked two days and the report of one speech in the Congressional Record covered 48 pages, equal to 160 columns in the TRANSCRIPT or to five issues of the paper, all reading matter without a line of advertising. If he said anything new on the subject we do not know it. This week Senator Gray has talked for two days on the same subject. It only shows that the tongue set in motion is a perpetual machine—nearly so, if it be a tongue senatorial.

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30 DAYS SPECIAL.—For 30 days only, we offer you the following bargain lot of strictly pure and standard goods; 5 quart bottles pure California wines (sherry port, catawba, blackberry and Rhine), one quart bottle pure rye whiskey, (five years old) and one bottle extra quality champagne. and the whole lot, 7 bottles, goes for $2.50, the honest market value of which is $4.50. No other house can give you so much value for your money, as the one and only reliable, Family Liquor Store of James A. Kelley. S. W. Cor. Tenth and Shipley Sts., Wilmington, Del.

7 Just as the sun doth glorify the skies,
So is the face illuminated by the eyes;
And tho' the sun must set nor the moon shine bright,
The eyes sparkle like the stars shine at night."

Take care of those eyes and when they need glasses go to J. Frank Brinkerhoff of Philadelphia, specialist in lenses for the eye, and have them properly fitted. He will

EXAMINATION PAPERS.

Form D Used by Supt. C. C. Tindal, Kent County, January 1896.

(Other examination forms will follow each week including some from Sussex county. They will be interesting by way of comparison.—Ed.)

GRAMMAR.

1. Name and illustrate the only case-forms of English nouns.

2.—Explain and illustrate what is known in grammar as the nominative absolute.

3.—Explain the use of the italicized words. (a)Gather a her bouquet of roses. (b) The election should have come a *month* later. (c) That sentence is an old acquaintance of *ours*. (d) Theyare *listening* to the music. (e) We knew *it* to be him.

4.—Construct sentences illustrating. (a) emphatic verb phrases; (b) progressive verb phrases; (c) objective complement, or factive predicate: (b) impersonal pronoun.

5.—Define and illustrate the following. (a) reflexive use of pronouns; (b) relative adyerb; (c) subjunctive mode; (d) passive voice; (e) ellipsis.

6—Explain the relation of infinitives and participles to verbs; i. e., in what way are they like and in what unlike verbs?

7.—
1. To every life one heavenly chance befalls;
2. To every soul a moment big with fate,
3. When, grown importunate with creed and fear,
4. It cries for help, and lo! from close at hand
5. The voice of Celestial answers, "I am here.!"
6. Oh, blessed souls, made wise to understand,
7. Made bravely glad to wait.

SARAH CHAUNCEY WOOLEY.

(a) Give reasons for the punctuation used in the above stanza.

(b) Give subject and predicate of clauses of equal rank found in it.

(c) How do you dispose of the last five words found in line 2?

(d) What parts of speech are "when" and "grown" in line 3.

(e) Give grammatical construction of "importunate" in line 3.

(f) Parse "close" in line 4.

(g) How is "here" used in line 5?

(h) Give case of "souls" in line 6?

(i) Dispose of the infinitive in line 6

(j) Give the construction of glad in line 7.

MENTAL.

1—If six men dig a patch of potatoes in four hours and ten boys can do the same work in six hours, after both men and boys have worked together two hours how long will it take the boys alone to finish it?

2.—Having a farm, I sold ½ of it, and afterwards bought 24 acres, and then had 56 acres; how much land had I at first?

3.—Two men paid $11 for the use of a pasture; the first put in 5 calves and the second put in 4 colts. What should each pay provided two colts consume as much as three calves?

4.—Edward gave 6 plums to each of his paymates and had nine plums remaining. Had he given each of them 8 plums instead of 6, he would have had but 1 remaining. How many playmates hadhe?

5.—I pay three men $12.50 for doing a piece of work; the second works three times as long as the first. and the third one-half as long as the first and second together. If they are paid the same rate per day, what should each receive?

ARITHMETIC.

1—The taxable property of a village is $860,000; the number of polls at $1.50 each is 620; a union school house is to be built worth $22,860.25; allowing 3 per cent for collecting, what will be the tax rate?

2.—The bank discount of a debt of $1215 due in 10 months, 20 days, is $90; what is the rate?

3.—Gloves are sold for 90 cents a pair, which is 16⅔ per cent less than the price they are marked, but which is 12½ per cent more than they cost. What per cent above cost were they marked?

4.—How many bushels of grain are in a conical pile 5 feet high and 26 feet in circumference?

5.—For renting a house and securing payment, the charge of an agent amounted to $56.67½, of which $23.75 were costs and the remainder 5 per cent of the rent paid; required the rent.

GEOGRAPHY.

1.—Name in order the component parts of the British Empire, beginning with England and moving eastward around the globe.

2.—Why is the northern part of South America west of the Andes mountains barren and uncultivated, while the southern part west of the mountains is fertile and ultivated?

3.—What effect have the Rocky, Coast and Cascade mountains upon the climate and rain fall of the Pacific States. the Basin States, the Rocky Mountain States and the States of the Plains?

4.—(a) What are the chief gold producing regions of the world, (b) silver, (c) tin, (d) copper, (e) wheat, (f) salt, (g) silk, (h) sugar, (i) codfish?

5.—How would you teach a class of beginners the definitions of the following terms. Lake, mountain, river, peninsula, valley?

6.—Give a description of the South African Republic which shall include the area, population, climate, soil, physical features, productions and character of its inhabitants.

HISTORY.

1.—What were the characertistic social distinctions between the early northern and southern American colonies?

2.—What territory has been added to the United States since the close of the Revolutionary war? How was each acquisition made?

8.—Name in the order of their development the more important national political parties of the past and present, and give the foundation principals of each.

4.—Give, as to a class in the fourth grade the story of Nathan Hale or Ethen Allen at Ticonderoga.

5.—What was the principle of "Squatter Sovereignty"? When was it first advanced, by whom, and for what purpose?

6.—Name and explain the current topics.

PEDAGOGICS.

1.—(a) How does the course of study suggest that you should develop the idea of boundary? (b) The idea of the earth's shape and size?

2.—State the three purposes of a recitation.

3.—What works on education have you read? Which has been most helpful to you? Why?

4.—(a) What methods of teaching spelling do you follow? (b) How much oral spelling do you have in primary classes? (c)Compare briefly the relative merits of oral and written spelling.

5.—Write out a reading lesson suitable for the first month of first grade and state your manner of conducting the recitation.

6.—(a) Define objective teaching: (b) Can it be used to too great an extent? (c) Explainfully. (d) Which should precede, rules, definitions and classifications, or a knowledge of processes and concrete particulars? (e)Give reasons for your answer.

7.—P. O. Address. Age. Experience.

PHYSIOLOGY.

1.—(a) What is the function of muscles? (b) Describe the different make-up of the voluntary and involuntary muscles and tell how they differ in their action. (c) What is the effect of alcohol on the muscles?

2.—(a) What is the alimentary canal? (b) the stomach? (c) Describe the process.

3.—(a)What are the functions of the bile? (b) What is the portal vein? (c) Its function?

4.—Explain, as you would to a primary class, the circulation of the blood.

5.—Describe the action of that class of nerves connecting the nerve center with the skin and the organs of sense.

Opening of the Pennsylvania R. R. Company's New Delaware River Bridge.

The new Delaware River Bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will be opened to travel by the inauguration of through passenger train service from Broad Street Station to Atlantic City, commencing Sunday, April 19, 1896.

A morning express train will leave Broad Street Station daily at 9.05 A. M., after arrival of the night express trains from all portions of the Pennsylvania Railroad system, and arrive at Atlantic City at 10 55 A. M.

An afternoon express train will leave Broad Street Station daily at 7.00 P. M., and arrive at Atlantic City at 8.50 P. M. This train will connect with the Day Express and Main Line Express from all points in Pennsylvania and the West and North, and the train leaving Washington at 3.15 P. M. and Baltimore at 4.20 P. M.

Returning, a morning train will leave Atlantic City daily at 10.10 A. M., arriving at Broad Street Station at 11.57 A. M., and connecting with the Pennsylvania Limited and the Fast Line to the West and North, and the 12.09 noon train for Baltimore and Washington. Another train will leave Atlantic City daily at 4.45 P. M., arriving at Broad Street Station at 6.40 P. M., and connecting with the 6.55 P. M. train for Baltimore and Washington and the evening trains for all points on the Pennsylvania System.

All of these trains will carry parlor cars.

An extra fare of twenty-five cents will be charged in each direction on trains via the Delaware River Bridge, in connection with tickets good via Market Street Ferry, Philadelphia.

By the opening of this new all-rail route to the seashore the transfer of passengers and baggage through Philadelphia will be avoided, and, as will be seen by the connections given above, the territory from which passengers can reach Atlantic City in a daylight journey has been extended in every direction—to Pittsburg, Buffalo, Danville, and Norfolk, Va.

Everybody uses Bragdon's Poultry Remedy; it cures; 25 cents.

MY M ARYLAND.

Chas. H. Smith, of Elkton, has been awarded the contract for building the new race track for the Maryland Racing Association at Barkesdale, three miles from Elkton.

Michael J. Keating, chairman of the Queen Anne's County Republican Committee, died on the streets of Centreville on Saturday, of apopley.

Post Master Wheatley, of Chestertown, has appointed his sister deputy in the office, regardless of the fact that a great many men wanted the position as a recompense for political services rendered, and a strong political influence was brought to bear on the newly appointed Post master to that end.

Mrs. Anna Burton Jefferis is the first woman appointed to office in "My Maryland," having been recently appointed state librarian by Gov. Lowndes, but her right to hold the office is being questioned by certain "he's" who hold that the "she's" are ineligible, and the present incumbent refuses to surrender.

One of the last acts of the Circuit Court, of Caroline Co., was to pass an order disbarring Millard F. Taylor, the young Baltimore lawyer who defended Marshall E Price, the slayer of Sallie E. Dean. It will be remembered that Price was lynched after Taylor had succeeded in delaying the execution of the sentence. The order of the court recites among other things that Taylor caused his client (Price) to swear falsely.

Mrs. Barnett will open a new lot of Sailors for Misses and ladies today and Monday.

For Over Fifty Years.

An Old and well tried remedy.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers or their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pains, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. Is pleasant to the taste Sold by druggists in every part of the world. 25 cent a bottle. Its value is incalculable. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and get no other kind.

OUR GREAT STOCK of Men's Suits ranging from $10 to $15 was largely attacked on Saturday. The sizes are complete again this morning, from the duplicate stock. Come in, look through the goods, compare the prices and buy where you think best; we'll take our chances.

40 styles of Men's Suits, $10.
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21 stlyes of Men's Suits, $15

The whole store abounds with money saving chances. The All-Wool Men's Suits for $5.00 prove this, likewise the Men's Suits for $6.00, $7.00, $7.50, $8.00 and $9.00

The materials include Clay Diagonals. Serges, Fancy Cassimeres and Cheviots.

Dou you ride a wheel? Do you wear the proper clothes for wheeling? Better come in, and see what we can do for you.

Bicycle Suits, $5.00 up.
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Strictly one price, and if dissatisfied with your purchase we will return your money.

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Prices just one-half—to double the sales.

We know it's unusual. We know it's unprofitable. We've gone all over that, and decided, with Spring just beginning, to

Break away from cut and dried methods by Selling for Half Price.

Whatever clothes you want for Spring, better buy now. Whatever clothes you want this Summer buy now. Whatever clothes you want next Winter buy now. It just comes to this:

Finest Overcoats worth $25.00 next October, are $12.50 now.
Finest Black Suits worth $30.00, to-day we sell for $15.00.
Spring Suits worth $12.00 go for $6.00; $8.75 ones $4.38.
Spring Overcoats worth $12.00 are $6.00; $7.50 ones $3.75.
Boys' Suits ought to bring $8.00, now $4.00; $4.00 ones $2.00
Men's Trousers by thousands at just half.

We only give a few prices out of many. The city is stirred up over our prices. Nothing has ever been done like it. We're clothing with Wanamaker & Brown's make of Clothing at prices that don't pay for the cloth and work.

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A lot of 68 inch Bleached Damask Table Linen in six new patterns, $1 quality for 75c, with a splendid quality of ⅝ Napkins to match—$2.50 quality for $1.75 per dozen.

Six hundred German floor scrub cloths, part linen, always before 12½c. now 8c—two for 15c or 85c per dozen. A very useful household article.

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Our window shades for 25c, mounted on spring rollers ready to put up your windows, are the best quality you ever bought for that price. Send postal card for man to measure your windows for window and porch awnings; patterns unsurpassed; prices the lowest.

WM. B. SHARP & CO.

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF LEVARI FACIAS TO ME directed will be exposed to public sale at the hotel of John P. McIntyre, at Middletown, New Castle County, Delaware,

ON SATURDAY,

THE 2d DAY OF MAY, 1896,

at four o'clock, p. m.,

The following described Real Estate, viz:

All that certain farm or tract of land, situate in St. Georges hundred, New Castle County and State of Delaware, bounded on the south by the lower public road leading from McDonough to Port Penn; on the east by land of David Higgins; on the northwest by marsh of Isaac Woods and Isaac H. Vandegrift, on the north by marsh of the said Vandegrift, of William Bennett and others, on the east by meadow land of Leonard G. Vandegrift and of William Diehl, formerly of Adam Diehl and by upland of Wilson E. Vandegrift and of Leonard G. Vandegrift, containing 150 acres of land more or less.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Alpheus Bates, administrator of Edward Bates, deceased, and to be sold by the said Alpheus Bates, [illegible] and others.

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Children's Shoes—Button with Extension Soles, stitched edge. Sizes 8½ to 11, at 72c, worth $1.00. Sizes 11½ to 2, at 89c, worth $1.25.

Our Dressy and Serviceable Calf Shoe for little Boys with Spring Heels. Sizes 8½ to 2, at $1, worth $1.25.

A new lot of Men's Calf Shoes for Men, with Razor or Round Toes. They combine Dress, Style, Wear at $1.25, worth $1.50.

Ladies' Dongola Kid Button Shoes with Pointed and Round Toes. You get the Style and Wear in this shoe. Other stores call them cheap at $1.50, our price is $1.25.

Ladies' Light Flexible Sole Button Shoes, made with new Long Pointed Toes, very stylish, at $1.50, worth $2.00.

The Spring and Summer Fad, the 20th Century Ladies' Shoes. Here is style, well made, worth $2.50, at $1.98.

J. B. MESSICK.

The Middletown Transcript

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., APR. 18, 1896

Local News.

—Try a can of Hopkins' Steamed Hominy (Hulled Corn). It is delicious. Full qt., 10c.

—It is pleasant to receive the good opinion of others; it is infinitely better to deserve it.

—Remember that J. F. McWhorter has a full line of carriage and agricultural implements on hand.

—Patrick Donahoe, of Christiana Hundred, wants the nomination on the Democrat ticket as candidate for the General Assembly.

—Mr. George Booth has been suffering the past month from a tumor in the back. He went to Elkton yesterday to undergo an operation.

—The Epworth League will have a literary meeting in the lecture room of the M. E. Church next Friday evening, to which all are cordially invited.

—Spring's a getting here! Straw hats, yellow shoes and shirtwaists have made appearance, and even a man in an alpaca coat has been seen on our streets.

—Harvey Rose, formerly of Middletown, but of late the electrical engineer at Smyrna, has resigned his position there to accept a position with the Wilmington Electric Railroad Co.

Rev. B. P. Truitt, formerly pastor of the M. P. Church at Warwick is appointed to the church at Lisbon, Md. and Rev. O. E. McCullogh succeeds him at the Warwick and Sassafras charges.

—Mr. Al. Muhlenburg met with an unfortunate accident on Monday; while cutting meat at Devallenger's, his knife slipped and cut his hand, inflicting a severe wound, which required the surgeon's skill to dress.

—Mrs. W. H. Moore, wife of post-master Moore, has been very ill this week, having been taken with violent hemorrhages of the lungs on Sunday night. Her condition though slightly improved, is very critical.

—The local W. C. T. U. has elected Miss Alice Outcalt and Mrs. J. F. McWhorter delegates to the New Castle County Convention which meets next Friday April 24 in Mt. Salem M. E. Church, Wilmington.

—Lettuce, radishes, onions, beets, and tomatoes are temptingly displayed in the local markets and our town is well supplied with meats, fruits and vegetables, and yet it is a difficult thing for the housewife to find just what she wants for her bill of fare.

—Fish Commissioner James A. Mulligan, of Delaware City, and his assistant Dr. E. G. Shortledge have distributed two million yellow perch eggs in the canal and other waters this week. Shad eggs will be distributed among the various streams of the State early in June.

—The brig Leonora, lying off New Castle since last week, set sail Wednesday night, it is believed with an expedition of men and arms for Cuba. At least one hundred men are supposed to be aboard, but where they came from and how they managed to get aboard so secretly is not known.

—Miss C. S. Burnett, of Ohio, will lecture in the M. E. Church on next Tuesday evening at 7.30 P. M. She is a national organizer of the W. C. T. U. and has a fine reputation as a platform speaker. The W. C. T. U. under whose auspices she comes, extends a cordial invitation to the public to come and hear her.

The Sisters of St. Francis have purchased a portion of the old Riddle estate at Eleventh and King Sts. Wilmington, which they will convert into a first class hospital. The institution is to be under Roman Catholic management but patients of all creeds will be admitted. Ten thousand dollars was the sum paid for the property.

—Good gardeners are in demand, and everybody wants their spading up and planting done at once. "There will not be many waste places left to grow up in weeds in Middletown this season, judging from the amount of gardening done in the past week. Our farmer friends might take a lesson in early gardens from their town brethern.

—Miss Margaret May Robinson was awarded the prize in the Gold Medal Contest at Smyrna on Monday evening. The title of her recitation was: "A Noble Christian Womankind." The Judges were Miss Parks, of the Conference Academy, Mrs. M. L. Cranston, County Superintendent of the New Castle W. C. T. U. and Wm. T. Smithers, of Dover.

—Rev. Father Lyons had a narrow escape from being crushed to death, on Sunday morning, by the falling of the heavy canopy surmounting the Bishops throne in St. Peters Cathedral, Wilmington. He and the altar boys, who were preparing to celebrate High Mass, were within a step of the falling canopy which is of solid oak, weighing several hundred pounds, and had it fallen on them would have resulted in a fatal accident.

—"I'm always glad my hat is a bonnet when the wind blows such a gale as today's" said a Middletown lady on Tuesday as with unruffled mien she took the windy highway, while her broad brimmed companion struggled with both hands, in vain, to keep her refractory chapeau in place, for as she said "pins are not in it when it comes to keeping one's hat on in such a gale as this."

—The Rev. C. F. Thomas, D. D., will give an illustrated lecture in lecture room of Forest Presbyterian Church on next Monday evening, April 20th at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Young Peoples' Society of Christian Endeavor. The subject of the lecture will be, "Cuba and the West Indies." Dr. Thomas has recently visited these Islands, and his lecture will be illustrated with views taken on the spot. Admission fifteen cents. Proceeds for the benefit of the Church.

—The card of Mr. Rettew, candidate for Receiver of Taxes, appears in this issue of the TRANSCRIPT. Though not acquainted with Mr. Rettew we find him to be well spoken of by all who know him, even those who through preference for other candidates will not vote for him. And Dr. M. A. Booth, residence near Wilmington, is another candidate who personally presented his claims—for coroner—this week to the TRANSCRIPT. The candidates evidently believe this is a Republican year.

—A new publication with Mr. J. H. Peterbridge, formerly of this town, as editor and publisher, has just made its first appearance, and a copy has found its way to the TRANSCRIPT. "The New North Wisconsin" is the title of the journal, a sixteen page monthly, devoted to immigration and the improvement of that section which the editor says "cyclones never touch," "droughts never visit" and "grasshoppers are not plentiful enough to furnish fish baits." There is a flavor of the pine forests with the breeziness of the northwest in its pages, which are finely illustrated, and the magazine has much typographical excellence. A picture of the editor adorns one page, and it is needless to say his Middletown readers found this the most interesting page of all.

—Consult the advt. of Mr. Bucke, the machinist and plumber at the old Bucket Foundry.

—Delinquent Tax Collector Cleaver sits, in Odessa on Monday, April, 20; at Port Penn on Saturday, 25; in Middletown 29th and 30th.

—Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Willits entertained a company at a Whist party Saturday evening in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Pharo, of Philadelphia.

—Past State Councellor E. S. Jones received this week a handsome jewel as P. S. C., Jr. O. U. A. M., from the Grand Lodge, as ordered at the last annual meeting.

—J. G. Taylor and E. G. Clark announce to the public that they will serve ice this summer, beginning on Monday, and they will appreciate a share of the public patronage.

"What we should be doing to save the lost," is the Christian Endeavor topic for to-morrow evening, at 6:45, Forest Presbyterian Church. Mr. Z. M. Roberts will lead the meeting.

PROFESSIONAL CARD.—Dr. W. E. Barnard Surgeon Dentist, office same location, opposite the post office. All operations pertaining to dentistry guaranteed. Odontunder and Gas for painless extracting.

—Reed Buttons are much in evidence around Middletown. County Committeeman Jolls wrote to Senator Chandler tha there are many admirers of the big Maine statesmen here——and now those friends are wearing the Reed Button.

Bowser is dead. Bowser was a dog, and came and went at the bidding of the Messrs. Massey, Jewelers. He went out walking last Sunday evening and failed to return. Later he was found in an old well on Mr. Fred Brady's farm, drowned.

WANTED AT ONCE.—The friends of Geo W. Stephens to know they can save at least 30 per cent. by calling on him when they need clothing, at E. O. Thompson's 1338 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

—At a business meeting of the Epworth League held on Thursday evening, the following officers were elected: President Dr. C. A. Ritchie, 1st Vice President, John Ash, 2nd, Literary Department, Mrs. T. A. Bordley, 3nd, Mercy and Help, Mrs. Wm. Taylor, 4th, Social Department, Miss Katie Vanzant, Secretary, Mr. T. A. Bordley Treasurer, Mr. Wm. Kates.

—Awnings have come down; that is they have been put up; rather they are much in use this hot spell, "the hottest for the time of year on record." It began Monday and has gradually gotten warmer until yesterday when the thermometer reached 92° to 95° according to exposure. This is the wherefore of the coming out of awnings. Mr. Messick has the latest "the most progressive," he says, like all things at his store.

FAIR APRIL BRIDES.

BARNARD—CLEMENTS.

A beautiful marriage was celebrated on Wednesday morning at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Sophia Clements, in Pocomoke City, Md., the wedded pair being Mr. Louis Matthews Barnard, and Miss Elizabeth Matilda Clements.

The parlors were handsomely decorated with spring flowers vines and potted plants, the mantle being banked with Arbutus and hyacinths on a bed of moss.

The singing of the wedding chorus from the beautiful opera Lohengrin was a very pleasing feature of the ceremony. the quartette being composed of Mrs. Collins Mrs. Garrison, sisters of the groom, Dr. W. E. Barnard, a brother, and Mr. Herman Taylor, all of whom have very fine voices kept well in tune. Miss Anna Barnard was the organist. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Chas. H. Vandyne, rector of St. Mary's P. E. Church.

The bride wore a dress of pure white India silk with embroidered chiffon and pearl trimmings; she carried Bride roses and wore sweet peas in her hair.

Miss Esther Barnard, the maid of honor, wore white flowered silk and carried roses. The ring bearer, little Anna Collins, niece of the groom, wore a pink silk dress. The bride was accompanied by her brother, Mr. J. Reynolds Clements, who gave her away. The bridegroom was attended by his best man, Mr. W. Reece Parker of Middletown.

After the marriage which was witnessed by about fifty persons, an elaborate wedding breakfast was served, after which Mr. and Mrs. Barnard took the north bound trainand arrived in Middletown at 4.24 o'block. They were driven immediately to their new home on Green Street, where their mother Mrs. Martha Barnard gave them a reception. The wedding gifts were numerous and handsome Mr. Barnard and his lovely bride have the congratulations and best wishes of their many friends, of whom the TRANSCRIPT is one, for a long and happy life together.

LEGG—ELIASON.

Miss Charlotta Eliason, daughter of G. Woodruff Eliason, of Greensboro, Md., was married Wednesday afternoon to Mr. J. H. C. Legg, a young lawyer of Centreville. The ceremony was performed in Holy Trinity Church, by the rector, Rev. Edward R. Rich. Mr. Eliason, the bride's father, is a prominent merchant of Greensboro' and is very well know here, being a native of this town, and a son of the late Jno. A. Eliason.

Ice can be purchased at Booth's store until Monday when the regular delivery will begin with the wagon. Leave orders at his store.

Children's Eyes.

Children have various complaints of the eye, some of which require glasses. When a child holds his book conspicuously near when he has difficulty in seeing letters and figures on the blackboard at school; when he complains of his eye hurting and of a headache, have his eyes examined and the trouble corrected, and let him grow up in the comfort of perfect vision. If a child sees better or with more comfort with glasses, he should wear them, and to say he is "too young to wear glasses" is just as reasonable as to contend that he is too young to have a fever or toothache. If your child's eyes are giving it any trouble have J. Frank Brinkerhoff, the eye specialist of Philadelphia, examine them. He will again be in Middletown at Mrs. Massey's jewelry store on Tuesday April 28.

Mrs. Barnett has just added new shapes to her already large stock of spring millinery.

Get the Best.

Persons who have not before experienced the advantages of wearing good glasses are gratefully surprised at the happy results from correctly fitting ones, and to get the best, get J. F. Brinkerhoff, of Philadelphia, specialist in lenses for the eye, to examine your eyes and fit you with a proper pair of glasses, at Mrs. Massey's Jewelry Store Tuesday April 28, will be his next visit to Middletown. It will not cost you anything to have your eyes examined.

This is the season for ice cream. Booth has it—all flavors.

Its folly to lose your poultry when the use of Bragdon's Poultry Remedy is guaranteed to you for 25 cents.

PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

—Mr. M. N. Willits was in New York this week.

—Mr. Mark H. Davis has been quite sick this week.

—Messrs. Frank and Al. Reynolds spent Sunday in town.

—Mr. Alfred Hudson, of Smyrna was in town on Thursday.

—Miss. Myrtle Houston has returned home from Baltimore.

—Mrs. I. L. Wood was in Philadelphia yesterday on a shopping expedition.

—Mr. J. M. Arthurs, of Kenton, was in town on Wednesday and Thursday.

—Miss Berenice Metten visited her aunt, Mrs. Carrie Farrel, at Smyrna this week.

—Hon. James Williams, of Smyrna, was the guest of his son, Mr. N. J. Williams this week.

—Mrs. Mollie Bissell and little son LeRoy of Wilmington, are visiting her brother Mr. George Hall.

—Mrs. Chas. Kern, of Philadelphia, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Brockson this week.

—Mr. Wm. R. Reynolds, of New York City, spent Saturday and Sunday with Middletown friends.

—Miss Martha Heaton leaves to-day for the City of Brotherly Love where she will spend some time

—Mrs. Maria Walker has gone for a protracted visit with friends in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

—Mrs. Schee Lockwood, of Princess Anne, Md. is visiting at her fathers's Mr. Dan M. Cochran, near town.

—Mrs. Harry Hill and children, of Philadelphia, were guests of her sister Mrs. Frank Pierce, near town.

—Mr. S. M. Knox, of Wilmington, and Mr. W. O. Hoffecker, of Smyrna, insurance agents, were in town on Monday.

—Mrs. Benj. Caulk spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd, at the National Hotel, this week.

—Mr. and Mrs Thos. Cochran, Jr., of New York City, spent a few days with their mother Mrs. Thomas Cochran, on North Broad street.

—Rev. and Mrs. I. L. Wood and Mrs. V. W. Massey went to Wilmington on Tuesday to hear Miss Frances Willard speak in Grace M. E. Church.

—Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard returned from Still Pond Md. yesterday having been in attendance upon the funeral of Mrs. Howard Turner, who died on Tuesday.

—Mrs. Samuel Price and Miss Eliza Hurn took little Lillian and Joseph Walker to spend Sunday with their grandmother, Mrs. Susan Walker in Thoroughfare Neck.

—Mrs. James Burnham moved to Wyoming this week to make her residence there with her husband who has been recently stationed at that place as telegraph operator.

—Mr. Jesse L. Shepherd had the misfortune to miss his hold and slip from a Baltimore street car, on Monday, getting a strain at the knee that has housed him all the week.

—Mrs. N. M. Browne, who was in Dover on Monday organizing a Home Missionary Society in the M. E Church, stopped over night in Middletown and was the guest of Mrs. Harry Jones. She returned home to Wilmington on Tuesday morning.

—Miss Caddie Schreitz who is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Clendaniel, near Chestertown, was in town on Sunday, having brought her mother. Mrs. Jane Schreitz, to spend some time at her son's here. Mrs. Schreitz is in very poor health.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm Houston, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rothwell, Mr. and Mrs. F. Eliason and Miss Myrtle Houston attended the Sanborn—Derrickson nuptuals in Wilmington, on Thursday. It was a beautiful home wedding and Rev. Layfayette Marks performed the ceremony.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. W. Naudain were in Philadelphia on Wednesday, Mr. Naudain who has not been well for some weeks having gone for special treatment under Dr. Pepper, who thinks he will soon be restored to health without resorting to a surgical operation as has been stated.

—Cards have been issued announcing the marriage at Sunny Side, East New Market Md., April 14, of Miss Alberta Wright to Prof. Thomas N. Rawlins, eldest son of Rev. P. H. Rawlins and recently professor in the Conference Academy. They will be at home after April 23d, at Harrington.

LEONARD G. VANDEGRIFT.

Death of the Oldest Member of One of St. Georges Hundred's Oldest Families.

Leonard George Vandegrift, Sr., whose illness was mentioned in the TRANSCRIPT of last week, died at his home, "Geraldville," near McDonough, at early dawn Wednesday morning, of heart disease, of which he had been ill for some weeks.

His count of years was full, his alloted task was done, and after a strong, vigorous and useful early and middle life and a peaceful happy and amiable old age he passed away in his 84th year, loved and lamented by all who knew him.

Mr. Vandegrift was the son of Christopher and Lydia Vandegrift, and was born at "Rushley" the present home of his youngest son, Leonard George, Jr. which place has been in the possession of his family since 1708. He was one of the early pupils at the Middletown Academy when that institution was the principal seat of learning for the surrounding neighborhood and where he received a liberal education. He chose farming as his vocation and until in recent years, lived at the ancestral home within sight of which he died. His uprightness and integrity won the esteem and confidence of his friends and neighbors, who relied upon his judgment alike in business and social affairs, and having large and comprehensive views of life, because of having read and traveled a great deal, he was eminently qualified for the the various honorable positions he filled. He was several times elected to public office, and in 1870 was elected a member of the General Assembly as State Senator.

Mr. Vandegrift was married three times. His first wife was Miss. Elizabeth Janvier, his second wife, Miss Hester Dilworth, and his third wife, who survives him, was Mrs: Rebecca Vandegrift. He leaves four sons to honor his memory. They are: C. J. Vandegrift, a well known farmer, near McDonough, Abram, also a farmer, but formerly the editor of the TRANSCRIPT Lewis C. of Wilmington, United State District Attorney and one of the best known, most progressive and thoroughly equipped young lawyer at the Delaware bar; and Leonard George, Jr. also a farmer.

Mr. Vandegrift was a Presbyterian, and devoted especially to old Drawyer's Church his ancestors having been among its first members. He lived the life of an honorable man and a perfect gentleman, and his name will not perish among the people. He was a recognized authority on all matters of local state history and he was doubtless the best posted man of his day in regard to the early settlers and other historical matters of this county. His funeral took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence. Interment at Drawyer's Cemetery.

Rev. Dr. Valiandigham was the officiating clergyman, and the four sons of the deceased were the pall bearers.

MY IDEA OF ITS MISSION.

BY AN OFFICER OF THE Y. M. C. A.

(The TRANSCRIPT expects to present every week from some member of the Association a paper making suggestions, giving "my idea" along some line of its work. —Ed.)

—The organizing in our town of a Young Men's Christian Association adds additionalpower to the manyalready established. Possibly there may arise in the minds of some the thought as to whether or not there is a distinct field of usefulness that opens up before it. Many plans have been proposed in the past, and many methods have been adopted with the expressed idea in view of looking after the social and intellectual advantages of the rising generation. The Irving Lyceum is a noted example along this line of work, and many will recall the fact that for two or three years this society seemed to have an especial mission and was the subject of favorable comment from one end of the State to the other. But like many other movements before and since that date its existence was of short duration, and its usefulness in our midst soon came to an end. With the Y. M. C. A. movement just inaugerated an out line of this work will show that its permanency and enduring nature is clearly discernable. Closely alied as it is to the work of the Church, makes it unquestionable an agency and a power the importance of which cannot be ignored, or even supplied by any one of the many agencies for spiritual advancement in our community. The large number of young men that have in the past few weeks identified themselveswith thechristianchurches, makes the Y. M. C. A. a necessity to serve a stimulating force for the good as our young men migle with the social and business relations of our town. The advantages of this organization are not limited to the young men of the town alone, but are equally beneficial for those living out in the country, the room being open each evening from 7 p. m. to 10 p. m. with plenty of reading matter, music, etc. The social advantages of the surroundings make the Y. M. C. A. headquarters an attractive spot, and a most desirable stopping place, if only for a few minutes at a time. The janitor will always be present during the afternoons and evenings, and we earnestly trust and predict a wide field of usefulness for the association, and the universal interest of the whole community in its welfare.

Y. M. C. A.

The first devotional meeting at the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. was held last Sunday afternoon. There were forty-seven men present. The meeting was in charge of the President of the association, Mr. J. Fletcher Deakyne, who made an excellent five minute talk. To-morrow Mr. Jos. A. Suydam will lead. Meeting at 4 all gentleman invited.

The regular monthly business meeting was held last evening. Messrs Lockwood, Jolls, Ash, Pool, Downham, Johnson and Kelley were appointed a committee to arrange for a Strawberry Festival, April 28 and 29, in Wood's hall.

The Jr. O. U. A. M. presented a very handsome pedestal and gavel to the association, Mr. S. A. Pitt, making the presentation. He said:

"The Jr. O. U. A. M. stands and will ever stand for the right and right doing. It welcoms every ally of the Lord Jesus Christ. It extends its hands of love and sympathy to every object that recognizes God as the supreme being, the Bible as the infallable rule of man's life, and salvation from sin through faith in Christ. Its encomium rests upon every effort that tends to the light against darkness, intelligence against ignorance, the good against the bad. It would throw its arms around every effort that reaches out after young men to better their lives. So, Mr. President, as this association has for its object the endowment of the young men of this town and vicinity with a richer spirituality, moral and mental qualification. I welcome you in the name and on the behalf of the Jr. O. U. A. M. and in token of our love, I present to this association through you this pedestal and gavel. You will notice the pedestal revolves; from this we would have the association to learn as time revolves and as the years come and go they will either place this association on a higher plan of light and Christ-like-ness or lower it into shades of darker night and a greater servitude. This gavel, the emblem of authority, yet we would prefer that this association dwell in the sacred place of the most high which is the emblem of all authority."

The first literary and social meeting was held last evening. Misses Lydia Echenhofer and Mary Maxwell sang a duett, entitled "Over the Fields of Clover," the chairman of the committee outlined the literary work of the association: the pastors were down for "five minutes of condensed wit and wisdom;" Mr. S. A. Pitt gave a review of the work the association has done in other places; and a fine sample of the soul-stirring singing was given, Mr. George G. Rowe at the organ.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For pretty, new and seasonable things in millinery at reasonable prices go to Mrs. A. M. McKee's.

Mr. Geo. W. Stephens, who for a number of years was in business in Middletown and is well known throughout this community, will be glad to see old friends and patrons at E. O. Thompson's large clothing house, in Philadelphia, an advertisement of which is found in another column of the TRANSCRIPT. Mr. Stephens has all his old time affability and happy good humor that made him so popular here, and he takes special pleasure in fitting out his Middletown customers in the top of the style. Don't fail to call and see him on your next visit to the city.

"What handsome pictures!" is the exclamation of every visitor to Mr. Geo. G. Rowe's new store, corner Main and Scott Streets. "But the beauty is not all in the pictures," says Mr. Rowe, "part of it is in the price. I sell those pictures for less than I could buy the moldings for the frames, saying nothing of the work. I have no explation of the reason, but that is the fact." Mouldings kept in stock and frames made to order.

Mr. Rowe has an entirely new line of Wall paper to which he invites inspection. Get your orders in early for work. Satisfaction guaranteed. He has two beautiful Estey Organs which he will sell AT COST, desiring to quit that part of his business.

A spring hat or bonnet is an absolute necessity since the warm weather has come. Mrs. A. M. McKee can supply all needs in that line. Give her a call, and you will be sure to give her an order.

Mrs. Fannie Lockwood announces that she will continue the millinery business of the late Miss S. A. Howell at her old stand on West Main street. She has a full new stock of spring goods, and is showing some of the most stylish trimmed hats and bonnets of the season. Patrons old and new will do well to inspect her goods.

—Mrs. Barnett will have in a new lot of linings in all the latest fabrics, rustle cambric, taffeta rustle, scrim and tailor's canvass.

ODESSA NOTES.

Mr. Columbus Watkins was a New York visitor on Thursday.

Dr. Emory Marvel, of Atlantic City, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Chas H. Scott, of Wilmington, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Townsend.

Mr. Harry Ward, who for many years has held the position of Engineer of the Steamer Clio, has resigned to assume charge of a large steamboat plying between Chester and Philadelphia.

A great improvement has been made at the foot of Main St. by filling in the sandy soil with several boat loads of oyster shells.

The appearance of the county bridge over the Odessa Creek, has been much improved by a new coat of paint.

Much unfavorable comment is heard in this town relative to the construction of the Delaware River jetty from Reedy Island to Blackbird creek. Several years ago it was decided to build this jetty, beginning at the Southern end of Reedy Island and running south twelve thousand feet, then from a point below Blackbird creek north, twelve thousand feet, thus entirely closing the outlet of Blackbird creek and seriously impairing the flow of water in the Appoquinimink. The engineers who have in charge the construction of the jetty have graciously consented to leave an opening of four hundred feet at the mouth of Appoquinimink, seemingly disregarding the fact that the sediment deposited by the ebb and flow of the tide in the Delaware will very shorly cut off all water communication between this town and Philadelphia. It is a great hardship to the boat owners of Odessa and will meet with stormy opposition. The inconsistency of our legislators at Washington is readily seen from the fact that while several thousand dollars are being expended in deepening the channel of the creek another clique of legislators is busily engaged in having the only outlet to the river blockaded by the construction of the jetty. The dredging of the creek will undoubtedly be a source of gratification to the catfish and other members of the finny tribe which swim in deep water, and while they will appreciate the expenditure of fifteen thousand dollars, their pleasure will not compensate for the loss of a watercourse and consequently moderate freight rates between this town and Philadelphia. Messrs. John C. Corbit and Columbus Watkins have just returned from Washington where they have been in consultation with the government officials, but have as yet received but little encouragement.

DELAWARE CITY.

Mrs. John Swan, Jr., is convalescing.

Miss Sophia Jones has returned to Philadelphia.

Miss Sallie Gassner has returned to Burlington.

Miss Sarah Fisher has recovered from a recent illness.

Mrs. Alex. Jarrell spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Miss Cora Dunlap has returned from Philadelphia.

Mrs. George F. Foard visited Wilmington on Tuesday.

Miss Rachel Cleaver, of St. Georges, is the guest of Mrs. Peter Cleaver.

Mr. Alex. Jarrell spent several days in Newark and Wilmington this week.

Mrs. Edward McClain, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with relatives in town.

The Women's Home Mission met on Friday evening after prayer meeting in the lecture room.

The Young People's Missionary Society connected with the Presbyterian Church, met at the Manse on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Clark united with the Presbyterian Church on Sunday by letter from the church in Trenton, N. J.

Mrs. Clayton Von Culin went to Philadelphia on Thursday to take a Grand Templar Degree in the Ladies' Golden Eagle lodge.

On Tuesday evening, April 21st, an opportunity will be given our townspeople to hear two interesting addresses on Suffrage by Mrs. Mary C. Bradford, of Colorado, and Miss Laura Gregg, of Kansas, in Mulligan's Hall. A collection will be taken to defray expenses.

James Bowen an aged citizen of our town died on Monday at the home of Mrs. Dora Bowen. Mr. Bowen was born near Port Penn nearly 80 years ago, as had he lived until the 17th of June he would have passed the 80th milestone. He was well known in Delaware City and vicinity. His ancestors came from Germany. Several children survive him. The funeral occured on Thursday, Rev. J. Edwin Amos officiating; interment in the old Methodist church yard. His sister, Mrs. Martha Letherum and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. James Letherum, of Wilmington, attended his funeral, also his son Andrew and family from Wilmington, Mrs. Richard Postle and Mrs. Lydia McNelly, of New Castle, also attended.

TOWNSEND TOPICS.

Mr. Willard Webb, has been in very poor health of late.

Miss Jennie Haynes visited Mrs. J. S Lattomus on Wednesday.

Mrs. John Earnest, of Sassafras, spent Monday with Mrs. Z. Staats.

Mr. J. D. Stradley is finishing the new addition to his dwelling on Commerce street.

Mrs. Jos. Enos and daughters, Misses May and Georgie, spent Wednesday in Townsend.

Rev. Albert Chandler and wife went to Stanton on Tuesday, to the celebration of his father's ninety-first birthday.

Mr. Daniel Salmon, received a telegram from his son, W. W. Salmon, who has been on a business trip to Europe, that he would arrive at home on Saturday.

Mr. Frank Watts, who has been suffering for some time past from a severe attack of rheumatism, is improving and we hope to see him about again soon.

KENT COUNTY.

The Dover town council has elected Houston Culbreth collector of town taxes o succeed L. C. Smith.

Charles Miller, a farmer living near Clayton, was thrown from his carriage on Tuesday and, it is found was fatally injured.

The Kent County Convention of the W. C. T. U. will convene in Camden on Wednesday, April 22d.

William R. Brown, of Bridgeville, whose six children recently died of diphtheria, has finally consented to move from the house in which the deaths occurred. He did not consent, however, until the house was condemned by the Court, and Secretary Frazer and Dr. E. W. Cooper, of the State Board of Health, obtained a warrant for his arrest, to be served in case he persisted in longer occupying the premises. The house will be thoroughly fumigated.

Do you know what is said of Mrs. Barnett's trimmed hats. They are beauties and take the lead in style.

NECROLOGY.

WILLIAM BRIGHT.

William Bright an old and well known citizen of Wilmington died on Sunday, after a long illness. He was 82 years old the day before he died. He had been a farmer, a carpenter, a grocer and real estate dealer, and was successful in every line of business he followed. He owned a great deal of property, having built the well known "Bright House" at Rehoboth and at one time owned the Wesleyan Female College, in Wilmington.

MR. A. A. MCCULLOUGH.

Mr. A. A. McCullough, a native of Cecil County Md. but recently a prominent business man of Norfolk, Va. died suddenly last week. His three sisters, Misses Caroline, Martha, and Mary McCullough, who survive him, reside in Washington.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Thirty-one years ago last Tuesday, April 14, Abrahan Lincoln was assassinated.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, in Philadelphia on Monday.

The one hundred and fifty second anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birthday was celebrated on Monday at his old home Monticillo, Va., and Democrats from far and near were present to pay tribute to the memory of the founder of their party.

Two Chicago physicians and scientists claim to have proved that the X rays will destroy the germs of disease in various contageous and epedemics, notably diptheria typhoid fever and Asiatic cholera. They maintain that the deadly bacilli, exposed to the power of the X rays, are killed outright. They have had the germs of eight diseases under careful examination for a week, and this is their verdict.

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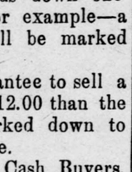

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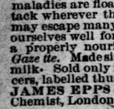

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Union Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Meets first Tuesday of each month in Town Hall.

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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

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MIDDLETOWN MARKETS.

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Eggs, doz	10@11c
Lard, lb	7@9c
White Potatoes, basket	15c@20
Apples, basket	50c

GRAIN.

Wheat, No. 1, bus	75c
Wheat, No. 2, bus	73c
Timothy Seed, bus	2 60
Clover Seed, bus	5 50
Corn, yellow, bus	32c
Corn, cob, bus	32c
Oats, bus	18c

COMMERCIAL FERTILIZERS.

Availability of Different Forms of Plant Food—Preferences Shown by Plants.

As a rule, commercial fertilizers are used for the purpose of increasing the single season's crop to which they are applied. Most farmers plan to give to each succeeding crop by itself the plant food it needs and to avoid supplying any one crop with more material than it can use to best advantage. This is especially true of those who do not own the farms which they work and who plan each year's work by itself without reference to the future. Under such circumstances a farmer desires to use those forms of fertilizing materials which will be taken up most quickly and completely by the crops. On the other hand, the farmer who owns his land frequently desires to use materials the plant food of which will be utilized gradually by crops and which will last through several seasons. It will thus be seen that if one desires a fertilizer which will act at once and be largely used up by the present crop then he will need to purchase his plant food in forms different from those purchased by the man who desires more lasting benefits extending through several seasons.

Nitrogen in the form of nitrate of soda acts most quickly upon plants. Under favorable conditions its influence upon the plant may be seen within 24 hours after its application. In the form of sulphate of ammonia nitrogen acts less rapidly than in that of nitrate of soda, but more quickly than in such forms as dried blood, meat scrap, etc. Nitrogen in the form of bone dust, ground fish and bonemeal becomes available still less rapidly than in the form of dried blood. In the forms of wool waste, ground leather and similar materials nitrogen becomes available with extreme slowness.

Potash in the form of carbonate, as in ashes, acts more rapidly than in the form of sulphate or muriate. Muriate acts with a little greater rapidity than sulphate, but the difference in availability between the different forms of potash is not nearly as strongly marked as in case of the different forms of nitrogen.

Phosphoric acid in the form of soluble phosphate of lime (acid phosphates, superphosphates) acts most rapidly. It acts less rapidly in the form of reverted or precipitated phosphate of lime, and least rapidly in the insoluble form, such as ground rock. According to the weight of evidence, soluble phosphoric acid, whether made from bones, boneblack or rock, has the same effect and value as plant food, so far as the soluble phosphoric acid is concerned.

It is an important fact that plants show preferences for different forms of food. This preference is indicated by greater yield or better quality of product, or both. Thus wheat seems to give better results when nitrogen is applied in the form of nitrate of soda than in any other form. Spinach has been found to do better with sulphate of ammonia than nitrate of soda, while the reverse is true of asparagus. The quality of tobacco is injured by potash in the form of muriate, and hence only sulphate should be used for fertilizing purposes. The quality of sugar beets and of potatoes appears to be better when sulphate of potash is used, while peach trees are said to prefer the muriate.—Bulletin New York Experiment Station.

Does Asparagus Need Salt?

William Falconer, Long Island, writing to Rural New Yorker, says:

Asparagus for market is largely grown by the farmers in this vicinity; in fact, it is one of our chief money crops. We are in the town of Oyster Bay, and the Oyster Bay brand of "grass" is the leading favorite in the New York market. But salt as a fertilizer for asparagus is not used by any of our farmers so far as I know. Our proximity to the seaside—Long Island sound—probably renders its application unnecessary. I have tried it, however, on a part of our beds by way of experiment, but without any apparent benefit to the crop. Some idea of how much salt asparagus will stand with impunity may be learned from the fact that spontaneous seedlings come up all along the seashore in the sand, and where extra high tides sometimes wash over them, and they live all right. Nitrate of soda, in quite light dressings, and these repeated twice in spring, gave us the best results. A "complete fertilizer" was also good.

Kerosene Emulsion.

Here is The Farm Journal's formula for kerosene emulsion, a remedy for all sucking insects, and for others with soft bodies, with which it can be brought in contact:

Soft soap, one quart; kerosene, one pint; water, eight quarts. Warm the soap until it becomes liquefied, remove from near the fire, add the kerosene and agitate rapidly with a force pump for five to ten minutes, until it becomes a homogeneous cream mass, from which the kerosene will not separate while standing. Dilute with water so that the kerosene will be one-fifteenth to one-twenty-fifth of the entire mixture. If properly prepared, it can be used with safety upon nearly all plants, except squashes, melons, cucumbers and others of the squash family. A hard soap emulsion can be made by dissolving two ounces of hard soap in boiling water and using it instead of the soft soap.

Telephones on the Farm.

Here is a story that is going the rounds: "In many parts of the country farmers have established among themselves a telephone system covering eight or ten miles of wire, the wire used being barbed wire fences. The middle wire of the fence is used, and the farmers are able to converse with each other without difficulty, thus relieving a part of the lonesomeness which forms a chief objection to farm life."

HOW TO MANURE CHEAPLY.

Sandy, Heavy and Clay Soils Considered. Effects of Vegetable Matter In Soils.

The question how the farmer, and especially the eastern farmer, can most easily and cheaply increase the fertility of his land is much the most important problem that he has to deal with. We hear a great deal about concentrating farm work on a few acres instead of spreading it over many. But before this can be successfully done the few acres must be made as rich as possible. Intensive farming cannot be made to pay on poor land. Nor is it wise to plant the kinds of crops that require a great deal of labor, unless the land has before been brought into such condition that a maximum crop can be grown. Here is what American Cultivator has to say in this connection:

Without doubt the growing of clover to be plowed under the third year, after taking a hay crop from it the previous year, makes the best preparation for the potato crop for all land that has a fair amount of mineral plant food. Clover is the cheapest means of supplying nitrogen to the soil. If to this are added good dressings for each crop of phosphate and potash, the land will continue to increase in fertility so long as the clover rotation is kept up. But there is a great deal of land in which mineral plant food has to be supplied before anything can be grown on it with profit. Most sandy soils are of this character. They are always deficient in potash, for if they were not the sand itself would be decomposed and make a true soil. With clover to supply vegetable matter and with potash in some form to make clover grow on it sandy soil can very soon be brought to a high condition of productiveness. But it requires continued good management to keep sandy soil in this condition of fertility.

Heavy soils, especially if wet, reverse these conditions. The heavy soil is apt to have a large amount of vegetable matter, because it is not easily permeable to air, and being kept wet most of the time what vegetable matter it has decays very slowly. This in course of time accumulates vegetable matter so that the clay soil is lightened, and when well cultivated will be very productive. But the effect of cultivation is to let in light, air and warmth. This, in a few years, decomposes what vegetable matter the soil has, and its clayey parts become too compact for profitable cultivation. The soils will not produce paying crops, and yet they show by analysis that they are by no means exhausted.

The thing that most of these clay soils need first is to be underdrained, so as to remove surplus water. Clover is also the best specific for such soils. It mellows and lightens the subsoil, while thorough cultivation helps to make the surface soil available for crops. After thorough underdraining it will be found of great advantage to use mineral fertilizers freely on heavy soil, for though analysis may still show the mineral plant food present in the soil most of these will be reverted and cannot be used by plants, except as vegetable matter is decaying and giving off carbonic acid gas in contact with them. This fact explains the good effects of vegetable matter in soils, even when it contains little real plant food. It is well known to those who use commercial manure that their best effect is produced on moist soils well filled with vegetable matter, while on pure sands and gravel they do little good. But if stable manure is used with the fertilizer this makes the mineral available and will do good even on sandy or gravelly soils.

New York Botanical Garden.

At a meeting of the board of managers of the New York botanical garden it was resolved that the number of patrons be limited to 100 and that a donation of $5,000 be received from each. The following have contributed $5,000 each; J. P. Morgan, Andrew Carnegie, Cornelius Vanderbilt, J. D. Rockefeller, D. O. Mills, J. A. Brown, W. E. Dodge, J. A. Scrymser, W. C. Schermerhorn, C. P. Daly, Oswald Ottendorfer, Samuel Sloan, George J. Gould, Miss Helen M. Gould, J. S. Kennedy, William Rockefeller, J. M. Constable, Mrs. Esther Herman and James R. Pitcher.

The contribution to entitle to a life membership was fixed at from $1,000 to $5,000. The third class of members, each candidate to be approved by the board of managers, is admitted at $10. All members are to have free tickets to lectures, exhibitions, etc. The committee on plans and buildings submitted three sketches of plans for greenhouses to be erected in Bronx park. Plans and recommendations for a museum were also presented.

Establishing a Pasture.

It is not best to turn animals on a newly seeded permanent pasture the first year; far better mow once or twice during the summer, cure for hay, seed green, or, better, leave the material on the ground if not abundant. Many of the plants sown will require a year, especially blue grass, to get well established. Of course a few small animals, such as sheep or calves, might be turned upon it, but it is far better to mow than to pasture.—Country Gentleman.

Agriculture Notes.

An easy way to reduce bones is to mix them with fresh horse manure and keep the pile wet enough to prevent the burning of the manure.

It is best to take up, divide and replant rhubarb every few years.

Tobacco stems, if ground fine and used along with bonemeal, are valuable as a fertilizer.

The well known rule is a bushel of rye when grain is the aim, and two bushels where hay or straw only is the object.

Coat the trunks of fruit trees three-sixteenths of an inch with "raupenleim" to catch creeping and boring insects.

Avoid club root in cabbage, cauliflower and turnips by a strict rotation of crops and burn all affected material.

Will Bear Repeating.

Keep your lofts clean. This is an old story, but ever new, because we are so guilty of neglecting it. Use some good insecticide in the nests and on the birds, especially on new importations, as we like to think other people's birds need it worse than our own. Lice must be kept down if we would succeed in raising good birds; they cannot thrive if infested with these little pests.

EARLY CHICKENS.

Hints as to Their Feeding and General Care.

If the hens have as free a range as they have on the greater number of farms, the young chicks may also be allowed to run at large after the first few weeks, but they should be kept in the coops until the middle of the forenoon. It is well to remember that a limp and apparently lifeless chick which has been caught in a sudden shower may often be warmed back to life by bringing it to the fire. It may be necessary to bring them in by basketfuls sometimes, and I have seen some surprising resuscitations in such cases.

A hen running at large will raise her brood with less feeding than one confined in a small lot, but the chances are that she will lose more of them. Not only are they caught by hawks, but there are other dangers which beset them. Most provoking of all is to have your neighbor's cat dine off chicken daily while you wonder how Blackie manages to lose one or two chickens every day. By and by you catch the innocent looking pussy in the very act of springing upon a chick, and the mystery is solved.

It must never be forgotten that the coops as well as the feeding and drinking vessels must be kept clean. Filth breeds disease always and everywhere. The mites which are so annoying, especially in warm weather, soon infest an unclean coop.

For the first 4 or 5 weeks of their lives they will need to be fed at least five times daily. "Little and often" is a good rule to follow in feeding. Corn bread made by mixing the meal into a batter with buttermilk, using twice as much soda as the measure of milk, as if for the table, makes one of the best foods for small chicks. This quantity of soda will make the bread crumble readily. Possibly the crust may need soaking. It is not a great deal of trouble to bake once a day enough to last until the next day, and as a food it is certainly an improvement on raw cornmeal mixed with water, which some of us can remember used to be the regulation food for young chicks.

If the skimmilk is not fed to the calves or pigs, it can be given to the chickens to drink, or, better still, after it has clabbered heat until the curd and whey separate. There is nothing better than the curd for young chickens, especially during the first 3 or 4 weeks of their lives. As soon as they are old enough to eat wheat give all they will eat of this grain for the last feed at night. Cracked corn may alternate with the wheat, and at later period whole corn.

To sum up in a single sentence: Feed and water often; keep dry and clean.—New York Times.

POULTRY FOR PROFIT.

In Selecting Stock Get Birds of the Greatest Vitality.

Poultry raising for pleasure involves breeding beautiful birds. Poultry raising for profit involves breeding good layers or good table fowls, or the best combination of the two which can be made. No kind of stock can be bred strongly in one direction except at the expense of other qualities. The development of feathers and comb is apt to proceed at the expense of vitality and the reproductive powers. This is especially true of the males. The most beautiful Langshan cock we ever saw when translated to the farm literally had to lean up against the fence to crow. In a few days his notes ceased altogether, and there was $10 gone. He had been bred to sell and had accomplished his destiny. There is no doubt great pleasure in the breeding of birds for beauty, and those who engage in it will be interested in the peculiarities of the different breeds and strains. Such persons ought to and usually will subscribe to the special poultry journals which are devoted to information of that kind.

What we have to say from time to time on this subject must relate mainly to poultry raising for profit. This, like nearly all other profitable occupations, is extremely simple in theory, but requires close attention to detail in practice. So far as it relates to the selection of stock it involves simply obtaining birds of great vitality and vigor and keeping them in that condition. If eggs are desired, any of the Mediterranean breeds will supply them, and one is as good as the other. It is not necessary to obtain fancy stock from the yards of fanciers. Early eggs may be got from successful market poultrymen. Set them under the hen in the good old way, and infuse new blood each year. If you wish body, with a reasonable supply of eggs, there is nothing better than the Brahmas. If you wish eggs and table fowls also, there is nothing better than Plymouth Rocks. In developing your own flock, if you wish to breed for points, breed for vigor. The best "point" that a Leghorn fowl can possibly have is the ability and the disposition to fly over a three story barn.—Exchange.

Two Poultry Points.

One strange thing about poultry is that if one keeps a large number they never give the same percentage of profit as when only a limited number are kept. Therefore I have long ago come to the conclusion that it pays best not to try to winter over 30 or 40. I have also found it paid best to sell the chickens during the summer, as soon as they were big enough, and not keep them all till the beginning of the winter, when every one else wanted to sell.

THE SEX OF EGGS.

An Old Error Regarding the Germ Dispelled.

The following clipping, says a writer in Farm Poultry, I have taken from The Country Gentleman, on the way of telling the sex of eggs before incubation:

I wish to thank S. G. C., who on page 513, Country Gentleman of 1895, advised me regarding the selection of eggs for hatching pullets. For the past two years I have had a few pullets to sell, instead of being obliged to buy—e. g., in a flock of 29 chickens hatched from eggs thus selected there were 16 pullets, while in a brood of 13, where the hen hid her nest, there are but 4. EDA I. TYNER.

It seems odd that the people who read the papers cannot learn that the germ of the egg is contained in the yolk, and is even smaller than a pin head before incubation starts. Hence unless one can define the organs of the germ, it is impossible to tell whether it is male or female.

To look at the shell or the air bubble in the large end—I believe some people claim to tell that way—is like looking at the outside of a barn to tell what kind of a horse is in it. I have been breeding poultry for 11 years, and during that time have experimented in all branches of the business, but have yet to find a sure way of hatching pullets or cockerels as the fancy seized me.

There is one thing I have tried and found nearly always successful, and that is to pick out a pen of vigorous, healthy pullets, not over a year old, and mate them to a 2-year-old cock who has been with hens before. At the beginning and up to the middle of the season pullets will predominate from eggs laid by this pen, for the pullet is being more vigorous than the old cock, would transmit their characteristics to their young. Of course there are "ifs" in this method, but not nearly so many as are in the above clipping.

Wife Murders.

A lady who has kept a record of the wife-murders perpetrated by drunken husbands, which have been reported in the daily papers for a year, says that 3,004 cases have occurred during that time. Now let some one tell us how many sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, fathers, mothers, and neighbors have been murdered by drunken men. Then let us find out how many broken limbs and heads and fortunes and hearts have resulted from the use of strong drink. When one begins to estimate the aggregate of mischief wrought by rum, he is puzzled to comprehend the indifference of the people to the presence of such a mighty engine of destruction. Many are profoundly stirred on this subject, but few are fully awake to the peril that besets us.

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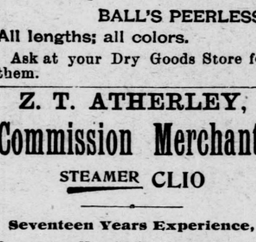

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Philadelphia	11 16	7 25	10 20	22 02	3 46	5:59
Baltimore	6 45	6 25	8 50	12 05	3.00	5:27
Wilmington	12 01	8 13	11.03	2.50	4 27	6:58
Farnhurst		f 8.22		f 2 58		
New Castle		8 27		3 03		7:06
State Road		f8 33		f 3.08		f7:11
Bear		f8.38		f 3.13		7:16
Porter		8 45			4 51	7:33
Kirkwood		8.50	a11 33	f 3.22		7:38
Mt. Pleasant		8.59		f 3.31		f7:36
Armstrong		f 9 03				7:40
Middletown	12.44	9 08	11.49	3.40	5 16	7:46
Townsend		9 17		f 3.48	5.25	7:54
Blackbird		f 9 22		f 3 52		f7:59
Gr'n Spring		f 9.27		f 3 58		f8:05
Clayton	1 02	9 33	12 06	4.05	5 37	8:10
Smyrna..LV		9 23	11.56	3.52	5 27	8:00
Brenford		f9.38		f 4 10		f8:13
Cheswold		f9.43		f 4.15		f8:21
Dupont				f 4.18		
Dover	1 20	9.54	12.22	4 25	5 56	8:31
Wyoming	a 1.27	10.01	f12 28	4 31	6.02	8:37
Woodside		f10 08		f 4 37		
Viola		f10 12		f 4 41		
Felton	a 1 40	10 17	f12 39	4.46	6.14	
Harrington	1.53	10 32	12 53	5 02	6.24	
Farmington		f.0 40	a 1 00		f 6.32	
Greenwood		f10 48	a 1.07		f 6.40	
Bridgeville	a 2 14	10.56	f 1.15		6.49	
Cannons		f11 01			f 6 54	
Seaford	2.26	11 11	1 26		7 02	
Laurel	a 2 38	11 22	f 1 36		7 13	
Delmar	2.50	11.32	1 46		7 24	

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Delmar	11 08			8 35	2 46	5 45
Laurel	f 11 21			8 15	2.56	5.56
Seaford	11 34			8 29	3 46	6 10
Cannons				f 8 37		f 6 18
Bridgeville	p 11 48			8 43	f 3 58	6 24
Greenwood				f 8 5		f 6 33
Farmington				f 8 56		f 6 44
Harrington	2 22		8.05	9 13	3 20	6.52
Felton	2.32		8.14	9 22	f 3.30	7.01
Viola			f8.18	f 9 27		f 7.05
Woodside			f8 22	f 9 31		f 7.09
Wyoming	2.44	27 00	f8 29	9 38	f 3 41	7.16
Dover	2.50	7 00	8.35	9 13	3 47	7.25
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Cheswold		f7 16		f 9.57		f 7.32
Frenford		f7 21		10 02		f 7.36
Smyrna..LV		7.16	8 42	9.58	3 32	7.27
Clayton	3.06	7 26	8 52	10.08	4 02	7.41
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Blackbird		f7.36		f10 17		f 7.52
Townsend		7 41	9 06	10 22	4 15	8.07
Middletown	3.29	7.51	9 15	10 31	4 24	8.16
Armstrong		f7.55				f 8.19
Mt Pleasant		7. 9		f10 39		8.14
Kirkwood		8 08		10.47		8.25
Porter		8 15	9 34	10 52	4.41	8.30
Bear		f8.20		f10 57		8.35
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